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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426

June 23, 2014

In Reply Refer To:
Transwestern Pipeline
Company, LLC
Docket No. RP13-404-002

Transwestern Pipeline Company, LLC
1300 Main Street
Houston, TX 77002

Attention: Shelley A. Corman
Executive Vice President

Dear Ms. Corman:

1. On May 16, 2014, Transwestern Pipeline Company, LLC (Transwestern) filed a petition for approval of a Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement (Settlement) which includes a Scheduling Protocol (Protocol) addressing daily scheduling and gas flexibility for electric generators and other firm shippers on the Transwestern system. The Protocol was initially approved by the Commission on January 24, 2013 for a one-year trial period.¹ According to Transwestern, its customers have agreed to continue the Protocol without modification or condition. As discussed below, the Commission approves the Settlement.

2. Public notice of the filing was issued on May 20, 2014. Interventions and protests were due as provided in section 154.210 of the Commission's regulations.² Pursuant to Rule 214,³ all timely filed motions to intervene and any unopposed motions to intervene out-of-time before the issuance date of this order are granted. Granting late intervention at this stage of the proceeding will not disrupt the proceeding or place additional burdens on existing parties. No protests or adverse comments were filed.

¹ *Transwestern Pipeline Co., LLC*, 142 FERC ¶ 61,063 (2013).

² 18 C.F.R. § 154.210 (2013).

³ 18 C.F.R. § 385.214 (2013).

3. The following is a summary of the major provisions of the Settlement.
- a. Article I states that the Settlement reflects the agreement of settling parties to continue the use of the Protocol.
 - b. Article II defines how firm shippers can make changes following the Timely Nomination Cycle.
 - c. Article III allows the Settlement to become effective the first day of the first month following the date on which the current Commission order is issued.
 - d. Article IV states that the Commission order approves all necessary authorizations to effectuate the provisions of the Settlement and shall constitute a waiver of compliance with all Commission policies, rules, regulations, and orders to the extent necessary to implement the provisions of the Settlement.
 - e. Article V states that the Settlement shall be privileged and of no effect until approved and effective.
 - f. Article VI provides that the Settlement is not severable. It further provides that any Settling Party is not prohibited from taking any position in gas-electric coordination proceedings before the Commission, including rulemaking proceedings in Docket No. RM14-2-000.⁴
 - g. Article VII lists miscellaneous provisions, and provides that the standard of review for proposed changes to the Settlement is the just and reasonable standard.
4. The Commission approves the Settlement as it appears to be fair and reasonable and in the public interest. The Commission's approval of this Settlement does not constitute approval of, or precedent regarding, any principle or issue in this proceeding.

By direction of the Commission.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

⁴ *Coordination of the Scheduling Processes of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines and Public Utilities*, 146 FERC ¶ 61,201 (2014).